



ST JOHN'S FIRST SCHOOL NEWS

'Let us love one another, for love comes from God'
1 John 4:7



3rd May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It is so welcome to see the sun shining, the better weather allows us to fully utilise our outside area at playtimes and during PE lessons.

This week we are learning about King Charles and his family as a build up to our celebration this Friday. On the day the children will have the opportunity to work with friends from their own and other year groups on a series of exciting activities organised by Mrs Evans and the staff.

We are learning a celebration song written by the very talented Mrs Selby which we will perform at the church for you. The children will each receive a commemorative bookmark funded by the **Friends of St John's** as a special memento of the day.

We look forward to seeing you all at the church on Friday. A reminder that children should be in school uniform for this day.

Best wishes

Mrs Reeves-Smith



Half Term Value

Friendship

'Encourage one another and build each other up.'
1 Thessalonians 5.11



Friends of St John's



We are hoping to expand our already successful Friends of St John's team with our coffee morning on 12th May. Please sign up with the office if you would like to attend.

Mrs Webb suggested our new addition near the school gates. If you are having a spring clean or sort out, put your clothes or shoes in here and you know it will be recycled.

Clothes can take up to 40 years to decompose and shoes up to 1000 years to break down, but 95% of these can be recycled!

Astra recycling provides a service and pays 40p per kilo for what is collected! The bank is emptied every 2 weeks. The textiles collected are either sent to Eastern Europe to be used again or converted into insulation materials and industrial cleaning wipes, so less than 1% of what we collect ends up in the ground.

This is a great way to fundraise for the school as well as promote the importance of recycling.

They accept the following wearable items:

- All men's, ladies and children's clothing including School Uniform
- Paired Shoes
- Handbags, bags, ties and belts
- Bed clothes, towels, soft toys

Astra Recycling cannot accept or pay for the following items:

- Duvets both synthetic and feathered
- Pillows & cushions
- Carpets & Rugs
- Soiled or wet clothing
- Workwear
- Shredded or mutilated textile material
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Bring a Bloom Non Uniform Day!

It looks as if summer is just around the corner!

We are inviting the children to wear non uniform on Friday 19th May 2023. In return, we ask that you bring a colourful bloom or a bedding plant to be planted in the school grounds.

It is always wonderful to brighten up the school grounds for the summer term and the children thoroughly enjoy watering the plants and flowers at playtimes!

We would be grateful for volunteers on that morning to help us with the planting. Please let the office know if you are available.

Many thanks to you all for your continued generosity.



Mrs Selby and the Eco Warriors



Attendance



Well done Elephants!

 	
Class Weekly Attendance for Week beginning 24th April 2023	
Elephants	96.7%
Giraffes	95%
Dolphins	92.7%
Pandas	96.1%
Snow Leopards	91.3%
Whole School	95%

Dates for your diary

May

- 3.5.23 Y2 parents SATs meeting 2.45pm in the hall
- 5.5.23 Coronation celebration- Parents are invited to a church service at 1.45pm.
- 8.5.23 Bank Holiday
- Y2 SATs From 9.5.23 until the end of May
- 10.5.23 Last day of Y2 tutoring sessions
- 12.5.23 Friend's of St John's coffee morning 9am
- 16.5.23 Class photographs
- 19.5.23 Bring a bloom and non-uniform day
- 24.5.23 Leeson House meeting- parents and children

June

- 5th to 23rd June 2023 Y4 MTC 5
- 12.6.23-16.6.23 Year 1 Phonics Screen
- 16.6.23 Grandparents (special person) day- further information to follow
- 23.6.23 Sports day
- 30.6.23 Reserve sports day

July

- 6.7.23 Vision and Values day
- 7.7.23 Transfer Day
- 12.7.23 Reports out
- 13 & 14.7.23 Y4 Leeson House
- 18.7.23 Open afternoon 3.15-5pm

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